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Atty. Dkt. No. 016790-0425

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Holger BIRK *et al.*  
Title: LASER ILLUMINATOR AND  
METHOD  
Appl. No.: 09/881,212  
Filing Date: 06/15/2001  
Examiner: NEGRON, ISMAEL  
Art Unit: 2875

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☐ Small Entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and § 1.27 has been established by a Small Entity statement previously submitted.
- ☐ Small Entity statement is enclosed.
- ☒ The fee required for additional claims is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended	Previously Paid For	Extra Claims Present	Rate	Additional Claims Fee
Total Claims:	24	23	1	x \$18.00	\$18.00
Independents:	4	3	1	x \$84.00	\$84.00
First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims:				+ \$280.00	\$0.00
CLAIMS FEE TOTAL:					\$102.00

- ☐ Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Extension for response filed within the first month:	\$110.00	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Extension for response filed within the second month:	\$400.00	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Extension for response filed within the third month:	\$920.00	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Extension for response filed within the fourth month:	\$1,440.00	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	\$1,960.00	\$0.00
	EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:		\$0.00
	CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:		\$102.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):		\$0.00
	TOTAL FEE:		\$102.00

- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0741 in the amount of \$102.00. A duplicate copy of this transmittal is enclosed.
- ☒ A check in the amount of \$102.00 is enclosed.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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**AMENDMENT AND REPLY**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 1, 2002, please consider the following remarks and amend the above-captioned application as follows.

**In the Title:**

✓ Please replace the title with "LASER ILLUMINATOR AND METHOD".

**In the Abstract:**

✓ A new Abstract is attached to replace the previously submitted Abstract. A marked up version showing the changes in the Abstract is also attached

**In the Specification:**

Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 11, delete the paragraph starting at line 21-30 in its entirety, and substitute the following paragraph in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.121. A marked up version showing the changes in the specification is attached.

AA Fig. 3 represents, as an example, the use of an instrument according to the invention in a confocal scanning microscope 69. The illumination light beam 29 coming

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